

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title)	Refractory Article for Guiding or Conveying a Solidified
)	Material and Process for the Manufacture Thereof
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the claims of the National Stage application as indicated on the attached sheets. Applicants request early and favorable action on pending claims 9-18.